

Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/544,742	KUPERMAN ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Edward M. Johnson	1754	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Edward M. Johnson.

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(2) Marie Zuckerman.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 07 May 2003.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.

If Yes, brief description: Applicant presented pictures taken in the laboratory of the methods of the invention and prior art being performed.

Claim(s) discussed: all pending.

Identification of prior art discussed: Haruta (US '273 and EP '360), Iwakura.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's new claim 1 recites a process for preparing a catalyst for use in an oxidation process in the presence of hydrogen. Applicant argued that it would not have been obvious to combine the teachings of Haruta and Iwakura in view of Haruta's teaching in EP '360 that the impregnation method leads to essentially hydro-oxidation. The Examiner indicated that this argument appeared persuasive with respect to the instant rejection of record.

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(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.



Examiner's signature, if required